

In the Specification

Please replace paragraph [0047] with the following amended paragraph:

[0047] In order to be able to track vehicles or objects marked in accordance with the present invention, the unique discrete identification as well as the location on the vehicle[, it]] is stored in a searchable database. As used herein, the term searchable database refers to a computerized database in which a file containing the vehicle owner, vehicle characteristics, unique identification and location of application of the unique identification may be located once a marked portion of or the entire vehicle is retrieved. Typically, the searchable database is maintained by the entity applying the unique identification, and optionally such information may also be transmitted to governmental authorities.—~~One such database system is described in copending U.S. application no. [attorneys docket no. VIC100002000], filed on even date herewith.~~